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METHODS OF USING AN INTRAVASCULAR BALLOON CATHETER IN

COMBINATION WITH AN ANGIOSCOPE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Box PATENT APPLICATION** 

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified Continuation Application as follows:

## In the Claims

Please cancel original claims 1-5 and add the following new claims 6-42:

6. A marker system comprising:

an elongate catheter body;

an expandable member attached to a distal end of the catheter body; and opaque markers positioned on the expandable member.

- 7. The marker system of claim 6 wherein the expandable member is a balloon in fluid communication with the catheter body.
- The marker system of claim wherein the markers are opaque to light. 8.

